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Exchange Student Information for The University of Montana 2012-2013 Academic Year

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Program Dates (subject to change)

Fall Term 2012:

Residence Halls open: August 25 (Saturday)

**Early arrival housing is available for \$17/night beginning Saturday, August 18 after 9:00 am.*

Dining Services open: August 25 (Saturday)

**Dining facilities will be open on campus prior to the above date, but students will have to pay \$4.85/meal until their meal plan is available beginning August 25.*

Orientation: August 20-24 (Monday-Friday)

Classes Start: August 27 (Monday)

Exam Dates: December 10-14 (Monday-Friday)

Vacations: September 3 (Monday): Labor Day; November 12 (Wednesday):
Veterans' Day; November 21-23 (Wednesday-Friday): Thanksgiving;
December 15, 2012-January 27, 2013: Semester Break

Spring Term 2013:

Residence Halls open: January 21 (Saturday)

**Early arrival housing is available prior to this date for \$17/night.*

Dining Services open: January 21 (Saturday)

**Dining facilities will be open on campus prior to this date, but students will have to pay \$4.85/meal until their meal plan is available beginning January 21.*

Orientation: January 21-25 (Tuesday-Friday)

Classes Start: January 28 (Monday)

Exam Dates: May 13-17 (Monday-Friday)

Vacations: February 18 (Monday): President's Day; April 1-5 (Monday-Friday):
Spring Break

Housing and Meals Information

- Exchange students are required to live in Residence Halls or in Lewis and Clark Village.
- The housing application deadline is **March 1, 2012**, to ensure placement for Fall 2012 and **October 15, 2012**, to ensure placement for Spring 2013. **Students should submit their housing applications electronically or by mail with the required payment (\$225 for Residence Halls and \$325 for Lewis and Clark Villages) by check, money order, or credit card directly to Residence Life Office, The University of Montana, Turner Hall 101, Missoula, MT 59812, U.S.A.**
- For on-line housing applications, see <http://www.umt.edu/reslife/> and select "Housing Applications".
- The **Residence Halls** are located on campus. There are many to choose from (women-only buildings, men-only buildings, quiet floors, non-smoking buildings, single rooms, suites, etc.). For details, see http://life.umt.edu/rlo/Residence_Halls/Description%20and%20Photos/default.php.
 - Knowles Hall is a smoke-free building and very popular because of its central location. Spaces are reserved in Knowles for International students and members of the Honors College. The fourth floor is designated Substance-Free. International students wishing to reside in Knowles Hall must submit their housing application by **March 1, 2012**, for Fall 2012 or by **October 15, 2012**, for Spring 2013.
 - Resident Halls cost between \$3,530 and \$4,166 per semester (Based on 2011-2102 prices; 2012-2103 prices will be updated in Spring 2013.). These costs include internet access, cable TV, all utilities, a meal plan. The number of meals provided in the meal plan varies from 8-19 meals per week depending on the student's selection of meal plan. See http://life.umt.edu/dining/meal_plans/default.php for more information.
- **Lewis and Clark Village** offers apartment style living located within easy walking, biking, or bus ride distance from campus. Each resident has the choice of paying rent either by the month or by the semester. All rent is charged to the student account with the University of Montana.
 - Monthly Rate: Monthly rate year round - \$405.00 per month per person (effective August 1, 2011 through July 30, 2012; 2012-2103 prices will be updated in Spring 2013). Rent is due on the 1st day of each month. A \$25 late fee will be assessed shortly after the 1st of each month.
 - Semester Rate: Semester rates are billed at the daily rate per day beginning with the date you check in until you move out. Rent is due on the 1st day of classes for each semester. A \$25 late fee will be assessed shortly thereafter and on the 1st of each month thereafter.
 - Students who choose to stay in Lewis and Clark Village may want to select the Premium Plus Dining Plan. http://life.umt.edu/dining/meal_plans/premium_plus.php for more information.
- Housing is available to disabled students and students with families. Information about family housing at the University Village and applications can be found at: http://life.umt.edu/rlo/University_Villages/default.php.
- Cancellation Fees:
 - Residence Halls:
 - Fall 2012: If students cancel before June 1, they will receive a \$200 refund (Based on 2011-2102 prices; 2012-2103 prices will be updated in Spring 2013.). If students cancel between June 1 and August 1, they will receive a \$100 refund. If students cancel after August 1, they will receive no refund.
 - Spring 2013: If students cancel before the 1st day their housing begins, they will receive a \$200 refund (Based on 2011-2102 prices; 2012-2103 prices will be updated in Spring 2013.). If students cancel after the 1st day their housing begins, they will receive no refund.
 - Lewis and Clark Village: If students cancel 30 days before their scheduled move in date, they will be refunded the \$300 deposit (Based on 2011-2102 prices; 2012-2103 prices will be

updated in Spring 2013.). Students that cancel with less than 30 days before their scheduled move in date will receive no refund.

Application to UM

- Universities with exchange agreements with UM should submit the following forms to International Programs for students to be considered for acceptance as non-degree seeking undergraduate exchange students by **March 1, 2012**, for the Fall term or **October 15, 2012**, for the Spring term:
 - International Student Exchange Application for Admission
<http://www.umt.edu/ip/docs/appmaterial/InternationalStudentExchangeApplication.pdf>
 - Two (2) academic letters of reference
 - Short essay (about 200 words) stating the student's reasons for wishing to participate in the exchange
 - Official home university transcript
 - Study plan at UM (a list of desired classes)
 - Request for Issuance of DS 2019 form
<http://www.umt.edu/ip/docs/forms/DS2019request.pdf>
 - Proof of Adequate Financial Support for living expenses in the amount of \$4767 per semester, such as letter signed by student's parents, bank statement, scholarship letter. Please note that you will need to list the names of all U.S. government agencies, international organizations, and all other organizations providing financial support for you.
 - Non-native English speakers must provide evidence of English proficiency by submitting official English language proficiency test score report showing one of the following: 61 iBT (173 CBT or 500PBT) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), 5.5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), or 69 on the Michigan English Language Assessment Battery (MELAB)
 - Completed Pre-Registration Immunization Requirements. You can review The University of Montana immunization requirements at:
<http://www.umt.edu/curry/Immunization/izreq.html>
 - Housing Application: *Students should submit their Residence Hall or Lewis and Clark Village applications electronically or by mail with the required payment (\$225 for Residence Halls and \$325 for Lewis and Clark Villages) by check, money order, or credit card directly to Residence Life Office, The University of Montana, Turner Hall 101, Missoula, Montana 59812, U.S.A;* Separate forms are available for married students or students with children.
- For students seeking admissions as graduate non-degree status, submit all of the above plus:
 - Evidence of completion of Bachelor's degree
 - If the TOEFL score is below 92 iBT (237 CBT or 580 PBT), the IELTS score is below 7.0, or the MELAB score is below 82, students may be required to complete English as a Second Language course(s) before they can take courses in their major. Please note that individual departments may have established their own minimum scores. One of the following is required for admission as a visiting student to UM Law School: a minimum score of 100 iBT (250 CBT or 600PBT) on the TOEFL, 6.5 on IELTS, or 84 on MELAB. Applicants to the Law School should submit a completed UM Law School Application for Admission instead of International Student Exchange Application for Admission.

Registration and academic information

- International Programs will send acceptance letters to the students. Foreign Student and Scholar Services will send orientation and other pre-arrival information, as well as the DS 2019 form to obtain a J-1 visa, to the students. After admission, students should address any questions to Effie Koehn (ekoehn@mso.umt.edu) at Foreign Student and Scholar Services.
- To find a complete description of classes at UM (i.e. amount of credit, course level, course content, etc.), please see www.umt.edu/catalog. Classes offered for each term are posted on the web in mid-April for the upcoming Fall semester or in November for the upcoming Spring term. See https://webprocess.umt.edu/cyberbear/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched.
- Some classes may be closed to exchange students, as they may be restricted to majors in the department (Journalism, Education, etc.). This situation can sometimes be overridden.
- All exchange students are assigned an academic advisor to whom they may address academic-related questions.
- A student with a TOEFL score between 500-525 should take ENSL 250 during their first term at UM, followed by ENSL 251 the next term. A student with a score between 526-580 should take ENSL 450, then ENSL 451.
- A full time undergraduate student must carry a minimum of 12 credits. Full-time graduate students must carry a minimum of 9 credits.
- Some classes require prerequisite courses to be met; these restrictions may be waived upon discussions with the professor.

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